

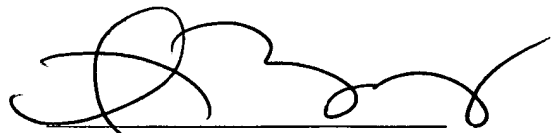
REMARKS

In the Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment of March 13, 2005, the Office states that the amendment to the claims filed on February 24, 2005 does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 because the claims did not include the correct status identifiers.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. The Office is encouraged to contact the undersigned with any questions or to otherwise expedite prosecution.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees required under Rule 1.17 concerning this transaction, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-0019.

Respectfully Submitted,



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